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Dear Lassiter Families,

Rare Friday night edition, but before Monday I wanted to send out one additional communication before the start of school. Teachers have done a great job preparing lessons, working on videos, and thinking about how to effectively deliver a subject area curriculum in a virtual classroom. Our community is lucky to have such dedicated professionals, and while we will need to be patient, flexible and have grace with each other this year, I cannot say enough about the dedication of our faculty!

The theme for next week is flexibility. I am sure we will have technology glitches, but we will all work together to adjust plans and communicate as needed. Our teachers will be monitoring attendance next week, but we **will not** be penalizing students for technology issues.

I would encourage all students to log in early, classes start at 8:00 a.m. – waiting until 7:55 is probably not the best approach to take when thousands of students will be logging on as we get close to start time. The earlier students log on the better!

CTLS Learning Student Training

On Thursday, you should have received information from the school district for a CTLS Learn orientation for students: <http://www.cobbk12.org/ctls/>. It is essential your child attempt to login and access their classes as soon as possible so we can help you if there are any issues. Look in the announcement section of each class to see a welcome message from your child's teachers.

Most importantly, we want to make sure you have a way to get technical support. We have made a one-page tech support document that includes how to report issues by submitting a form. This will allow us to answer the question we can or engage the district tech support when needed.

We have also created a pop-up that will be active over the weekend on our website to prepare for Monday morning if there are technology issues.

Closing

I know many of you feel like you are on information overload, but I hope the information and documents that we've sent help our families have a successful start to the school year. I want to thank you again all for your continued patience, flexibility and grace as we all learn how to navigate our new remote high school experience. I have been a member of the Lassiter community for 20 years and I can say our Lassiter community is truly the best. I know we will all work together to make sure our students and their success are our first priority! I am looking forward to Monday morning to welcome all of our Lassiter students to the 2020-21 school year.

Sincerely,

Chris Richie
Principal

